

## MUNICIPAL BUILDING ARCHITECTS GIVEN TIME

Granted by District Commissioners Until December 11 in Which to Submit Plans for New Structure.

Col. John Biddle Hopeful That Committee of Award Will Find Suitable Sketch in Number to Be Offered.

The plans to be submitted by competing architects for the proposed municipal building will be received by the District Commissioners on or before noon, December 11. Today was the time originally set for receiving the plans, but owing to the fact that the committee of award would not meet until December 11, it was decided to leave the time for sending in the sketches open until that date.

Twelve architects will submit drawings and specifications, as follows: Glenn Brown, Hornblower & Marshall, Marsh & Peter, William A. Poindexter, Robert Stead, James G. Hill, and Wood & Deming, all of Washington, D. C.; A. W. Longfellow, Boston, Mass.; E. P. Casey, Heinz & Lafarge, and Albert R. Ross of New York city, and Cope & Stewardson, of Philadelphia.

The committee of award consisting of James K. Taylor, Supervising Architect of the Treasury; D. H. Burnham, of Chicago, Ill.; George B. Post, of New York; P. Law Olmstead, of Boston, Mass.; and Col. John Biddle, Engineer Commissioner of the District, will examine the plans submitted and select the one which, in their judgment will provide the best building. By the terms of the competition the architect submitting the successful plan will supervise the construction.

Colonel Biddle Hopeful.

Col. John Biddle, speaking of the matter today, said the committee of award hoped to find among the plans one or more which would give the District a building of suitable size and one of artistic beauty. He said the building commission had been strictly limited by act of Congress as to the amount which the new structure should cost, and for that reason it might be smaller and with less embellishment than had been expected.

"Under the terms of the building bill, approved June 6, 1902," said Colonel Biddle, "Congress appropriated \$1,500,000 to pay for the site, the preparation of plans, and the construction of the building. It was stipulated that the Secretary of the Treasury should buy the power house site for a sum not to exceed \$50,000. That, in fact, was the price agreed upon and paid for the ground."

Money for Expenses.

"It became necessary then for the commission to set aside \$50,000 for the expenses connected with the preparation of plans and other extra items.

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hoping that the drawings of such a building as we want will be found among them.

"There is, of course, a possibility that the sketches will show that a building large enough for the District needs cannot be erected for the money available under the appropriation. In that event it might be necessary to submit the question to Congress for instructions.

"Nothing can be determined until the plans are inspected, and it may be that a happy surprise awaits the committee of award. However, in case that the kind of structure shown in the drawings should be too small or architecturally cheap, the building commission might feel justified in referring the plans to the committee in Congress for further action. In such a case the commission would hope that Congress would appropriate more money."

**MRS. COLMAN MAY MAKE EFFORT TO SECURE CHILD**

Suit for Divorce Filed by Hamilton F. Colman Recalls Former Efforts of His Wife.

The filing of proceedings for divorce in the local courts some time ago by Hamilton F. Colman against his wife, Mrs. Gertrude S. Colman, recalls the visit of the latter to Washington last summer, in search of her child. It is said that she is now in the city and intends to continue her fight for her child, which she says is in the custody of its father, who refuses to share its society with her.

When here in the summer it was said that Mrs. Colman intended to make an effort to secure possession of the child through habeas corpus proceedings. In his petition for divorce, which is filed by Attorney Edward L. Gies, Mr. Colman says he married the defendant in Baltimore in October, 1888, and that they lived together until 1900, when she left him of her own accord.

At that time he says it was agreed that he should have and retain the custody and guardianship of their daughter. For the past two years it is said the child, with the exception of when she was at a boarding school, has been residing with Mr. Colman's sister in New York State.

What to Do Until the Doctor Arrives.

"One of my children was taken with cramp colic and suffered severely," says S. B. Elzer, of Monett, Mo. "I telephoned for a doctor, then gave a dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and a few minutes later a second dose. Before the doctor came the child was relieved." For sale by Henry Evans, Wholesale and Retail, and all druggists.

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## MANUEL GORDON LEAVES ESTATE TO CHILDREN

The account of the late Manuel Gordon with the Perpetual Building Association of this city was filed yesterday afternoon as his will. It shows that on September 6, 1901, he subscribed \$2,000 for twenty shares of stock of series No. 20 of the association.

Following this entry he wrote: "In case of my decease the above-named sum to be divided equally between my son, Thomas E. Gordon, and my daughters, named Alice Fowler, Carrie Jacobs, Ellie Hamburg, and Annie Schroth."

The account shows that \$400 of the principal has been withdrawn.

**REWARD FOR ASSAILANT.**

A reward of \$200 awaits the captor of the negro who waylaid and robbed Miss Blau in the Brentwood Road, near R. Street northeast, on Monday evening. Hermann E. Blau, brother of Miss Blau, announces that he will pay a reward of \$50 for information that will lead to the arrest of the guilty man and \$100 for his conviction. Major Sylvester, Superintendent of Police, has offered an additional reward of \$50 for the capture of the man. It is believed that the assailant of Miss Blau is the man who attacked Miss Hoffman in M Street southeast on Tuesday evening.

**AMUSEMENTS.**

National Theater—"The Wild Rose," evening. Columbia-Keele, 4:15 p. m.; Denman Thompson, in "The Old Homestead," evening. Lafayette Opera House—"Hilmon's 'Superior,' evening. Chase-Polite Vaudeville, afternoon and evening. Academy of Music—"A Kentucky Feud," evening. Empire—"Sons of Ham," afternoon and evening. Lerman's—"High Rollers," afternoon and evening.

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## CHANGES AND NEEDS OF EASTERN SECTION

Improvements Discussed by Citizens' Association.

The improvements, changes and needs of the eastern section of the city furnished food for discussion at the annual meeting of the East Washington Citizens' Association, held last evening at 214 Pennsylvania Avenue southeast. The work of the society in the past year was reviewed. It showed that the organization had accomplished much toward improving East Washington.

A retrospect of the work was given by Thomas W. Smith, president of the organization, in the annual report. Mr. Smith spoke of the improvements in the water supply and said that the schools of the section had been given much attention, with the result that the facilities and general condition of these institutions were in better shape.

He called attention to the fact, however, that the eastern district was yet to

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